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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment After Final Rejection is filed in response to the Office Action, made final, mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (US PTO) on September 9, 2003, in the above-identified patent application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on December 9, 2003 and received in the US PTO on December 12, 2003. This Amendment is being filed in lieu of a Brief on Appeal at this time.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: